RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: The General Motors pay this allowance.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know whether there is not a Divisional Forest Officer at Quilon?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: There is one.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know whether it is the policy of Government to allow their officers to receive remuneration from private companies?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: It is not a question of receiving remuneration from a private company. They are paying this amount to the officer in accordance with the terms of a contract. We have agreed to supply timber to the General Motors. This officer is entrusted with the duty of supervising the passing of blackwood materials to the company for their use. In fact this is a case where, if at all, the General Motors should be the party to complain. But they have agreed to pay the officer.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know whether the officer receives the remuneration direct from the General Motors or from the Government?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: He receives the remuneration directly from the General Motors with the sanction of Government.

Expenditure on P. W. D. Works.

69. * MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have prescribed any proportion with a view to ensuring that expenditure on P. W. D. Works is spread over evenly throughout the year;

(*b*) whether the above rule has been violated in 1115 and 1116; and

(*c*) the action taken against the officers of the Department who were responsible for the breach of the rule?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No. They are observed to the nearest approximation as far as circumstances permit.

(*c*) Does not arise.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: With reference to part (a) of the answer, may I know what is the proportion prescribed?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: 15 per cent. for the first quarter, 25 per cent. each for the 2nd and 3rd quarters and 35 per cent. for the last quarter.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether the honourable member is aware that this rule has not been followed for the year 1115?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: It is followed as far as possible.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether in any Division or Sub-Division this rule has been followed in the year 1115?

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MR. I. C. CHACKO: I do not know exactly. But they are being approximately followed.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether the honourable member is aware that it is specifically stated in the Administration Reports and in the Audit and Appropriation Report that this rule has been observed more in the breach than in its compliance?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: I am not aware, Sir.

Officers in charge of the Central Prison and the Sub-jail at Alleppey.

70. ***MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR**: Will the Government be pleased to state who is in charge of the Central Prison and the sub-jail at Alleppey at present?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: Rajyasevapravina Khan Bahadur G. S. Abdul Karim Sahib Suhrawardy is in charge of the Central Prison, Trivandrum and the Temporary Prison at Alleppey. Mr. Muhamed Hassan, Temporary Jailor is in immediate charge of the Temporary Prison, Alleppey.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: Am I to understand that this arrangement means that the civil administration of the Central Prison has gone into the hands of the Police?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: Certainly not. This is only a temporary arrangement which is to last only for three months. This has been already notified.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know when the period will expire?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: The period will terminate on the 10th January 1942.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: ഇപ്രകാരം ഒരേർപ്പാടുണ്ടാക്കുവാൻ വേണ്ടിവന്നതിന്റെ കാരണമെന്താണെന്നു പ്രസ്താവിക്കാൻ മേലുണ്ടാകുമോ?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: The management of the prison was found to be unsatisfactory and therefore as a temporary expedient the Inspector-General of Police was put in charge not in the capacity of the Inspector-General of Police but as a civil officer of the State and that only for a temporary period.

Thodu lying west of the S. M. V. English High School, Vanchiyoor.

71. ***MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any representation has been received by Government from the members of the Legislature praying for the early improvement of the thodu lying to the west of the S. M. V. English High School, Vanchiyoor, up to the General Hospital-Petta Road; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the action taken on the same?

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